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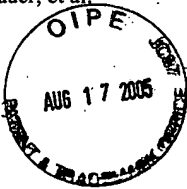
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 12, 2005, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims.

Amendments to this specification begin on Page 2 of this response.

A complete listing of the claims begin on Page 4 of this response for the convenience of the examiner.

Remarks begin on Page 9 of this response.

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